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PETITION TO WITHDRAW THE HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a)

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Sir:

On September 18, 2008, the U.S. Patent Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment in the above-referenced Application, which in its first line states as follows, "The above-identified application is **abandoned** for failure to timely reply to the Decision on Petition mailed on ." (sic)

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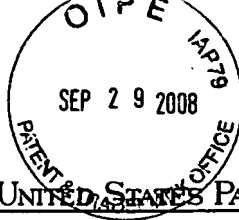
Note that the Notice of Abandonment did not identify the mailing date of the "Decision on Petition" that lead to the Notice of Abandonment. However, the only outstanding Decision on Petition in the above-referenced Application was issued by the Office of PCT Legal Administration on **June 20, 2008**. By its very terms a response was due to that Decision on Petition within two months, but it was expressly stated in the Decision on Petition that extensions of time were available under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), meaning therefore that the Applicant has until **December 20, 2008** within which to timely reply to the outstanding Decision on Petition by paying appropriate extension of time fees for every month that passes after the two month deadline set forth in the Decision on Petition.

Consequently, the Notice of Abandonment was issued erroneously by the U.S. Patent Office, and its prompt withdrawal is respectfully requested.

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NOTICE OF ABANDONMENT

Decision on Petition

The above-identified application is **abandoned** for failure to timely reply to the Decision on Petition mailed on .

If a complete reply to the petition decision was previously filed by applicant within the time period set forth in the petition decision, applicant may request for reconsideration of the holding of abandonment within 2 months from the mailing of this notice of abandonment by filing a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181(a). No petition fee is required. The petition must be accompanied by a true copy of the originally filed reply and the item(s) identified in one of the following:

- 1.A properly itemized date-stamped postcard receipt (see MPEP § 503);
- 2.If the originally filed reply included a certificate of mailing or transmission in compliance with 37 CFR 1.8(a), a copy of the certificate of mailing or transmission and a statement in compliance with 37 CFR 1.8(b) (see MPEP §§ 512); or
- 3.If the reply was filed via "Express Mail," a submission satisfying the requirements of 37 CFR 1.10(e) including, for example, a copy of the "Express Mail" mailing label showing the "date-in" (see MPEP § 513).

Any petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment should be directed to OIPE.

If applicant did not previously file a complete reply within the time period set forth in the petition decision, applicant may file a petition to revive the application under 37 CFR 1.137.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(a), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNAVOIDABLE DELAY** must be filed promptly after the applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) an adequate showing of the cause of unavoidable delay; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(l); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d). See MPEP § 711.03(c) and Form PTO/SB/61.

Under 37 CFR 1.137(b), a petition requesting the application be revived on the grounds of **UNINTENTIONAL DELAY** must be filed promptly after applicant becomes aware of the abandonment and such petition must be accompanied by: (1) a statement that the entire delay was unintentional; (2) the required reply to the above-identified Notice; (3) the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and (4) a terminal disclaimer if required by 37 CFR 1.137(d). See MPEP § 711.03(c) and Form PTO/SB/64.

Any questions concerning petitions to revive should be directed to the "Office of Petitions" at (571)-272-3282. Petitions should be mailed to: Mail Stop Petitions, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria VA 22313-1450.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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